IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA ALEXANDRIA DIVISION

ROSY GIRON DE REYES, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

WAPLES MOBILE HOME PARK LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, et al.,

Defendants.

Civil No.: 1:16cv563-TSE-TCB

ORDER

UPON CONSIDERATION of Plaintiffs' Motion to File Documents Under Seal (Dkt. 257), Defendants Waples Mobile Home Park Limited Partnership, Waples Project Limited Partnership, and A. J. Dwoskin & Associates, Inc.'s (collectively "Defendants") Response thereto and Local Civil Rule 5, it is hereby:

ORDERED that Plaintiffs' Motion to File Documents Under Seal (Dkt. 257) is **GRANTED**.

Before this Court may seal documents, it must: "(1) provide public notice of the request to seal and allow interested parties a reasonable opportunity to object, (2) consider less drastic alternatives to sealing the documents, and (3) provide specific reasons and factual findings supporting its decision to seal the documents and for rejecting the alternatives." *Ashcraft v. Conoco, Inc.*, 218 F.3d 282, 288 (4th Cir. 2000) (internal citations omitted). In compliance with Local Rule 5 and *Ashcraft*, Plaintiffs filed a public Notice of Filing of Motion to Seal (Dkt. 259) and the Court has posted this notice on the Court's public docket. A brief description of the content ("Proposed Sealed Documents") that Plaintiffs move to seal is as follows:

- Ex. 1 to Plaintiffs' Memorandum in Opposition to Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment: Plaintiff Rosa Elena Amaya's confidential responses to Defendants' interrogatories.
- Ex. 3 to Plaintiffs' Memorandum in Opposition to Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment: Confidential excerpts from the deposition transcript of Defendants' designated 30(b)(6) deponent

Plaintiffs' Memorandum in Opposition to Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment Brief also either quotes from or references the following confidential documents:

- Dkt. No. 138, Ex. 21: Confidential excerpts from the deposition transcript of Defendants' designated 30(b)(6) deponent.
- Dkt. No. 138, Ex. 27: Confidential excerpts from the deposition transcript of Carolina Easton.
- Dkt. No. 138, Ex. 43: Confidential Consumer Reports and Core Logic Safe Rent Training Manual.
- Confidential settlement agreement.

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Based upon Plaintiffs' Motion to File Documents Under Seal (Dkt. 257) and Defendants' Response thereto, and Local Civil Rule 5, the Court hereby FINDS that less drastic alternatives to sealing the Proposed Sealed Documents are not feasible. Accordingly, the Court **ORDERS** that the Proposed Sealed Documents shall be maintained under seal by the Clerk, until otherwise directed. The Clerk is **REQUESTED** to send a copy of this Order to all counsel of record.

	U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia

, 2019.